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Applicant:

Ramesh NAGARAJAN et al.

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ENTRY OF REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Final Office Action dated November 28, 2005 ("Final Office Action") and respond as follows.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

	Claims remaining after Amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present extra
Total	14	-	20	=	0
Independent	4	-	4	=	0